

**SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
HEARING EXAMINER DIRECTIVE**

DOCKET NO. 2019-45-E Order No. 2019-12-H

FEBRUARY 8, 2019

Hearing Examiner: David Stark

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

**Deborah Staggars, Complainant/Petitioner v. Duke Energy Progress, LLC,
Defendant/Respondent**

MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request to Hold the Filing Dates and Hearing Date in Abeyance

HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

On February 7, 2019, Duke Energy Progress, LLC – the Respondent – filed a request that the filing deadlines for all parties and the hearing date in Docket No. 2019-45-E be held in abeyance to allow the parties additional time to attempt to reach a settlement of the issues raised in the Complaint.

The request to hold the dates in abeyance will not prejudice any party and may facilitate the settlement of the issues outstanding in the Docket. Therefore, the request to hold the filing deadlines and the hearing date in abeyance is granted.

However, if the parties have not successfully reached a settlement within 30 days of this directive, then the parties shall file a brief report to the Commission on the status of settlement negotiations.